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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)
July 15, 2011

HEMISPHERX BIOPHARMA, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 0-27072 52-0845822 (state or other jurisdiction of (Commission File Number) (I.R.S. incorporation) Employer Identification No.)

1617 JFK Boulevard, Philadelphia, 19103
Pennsylvania
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (215) 988-0080

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Section 5 – Corporate Governance and Management

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

Effective July 15, 2011, the Company has terminated the full-time employment status of Russel J. Lander, Ph.D., Vice President of Process and Analytical Development.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

HEMISPHERX BIOPHARMA, INC.

July 20, 2011 By: /s/ William A. Carter

William A. Carter M.D., Chief Executive Officer

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